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SUBJ: ITALIAN PRESS COVERAGE OF EXXON PAYMENTS TO ITALIAN
POLITICAL PARTIES

1. ALL ITALIAN PRESS HAS GIVEN EXTENSIVE COVERAGE, USUALLY ON INSIDE PAGES BUT WITH SOME FRONT PAGE TREATMENT, TO EXXON TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON PAYMENTS TO ITALIAN POLITICAL PARTIES. IMPLIED IN STORIES IS FACT THAT MONEY WAS ADVANCED FOR POLITICAL FAVORS OR TO BUY INFUENCE. STORIES, BASED ON NY TIMES REPORTING AND WIRE SERVICE COVERAGE, FEATURE MANGITUDE OF PAYMENTS AND NOTE THAT ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCI) AMONG RECIPIENTS.

2. PCI HAS DENIED THROUGH THE COLUMNS OF ITS DAILY /L'UNITA/ THAT IT EVER RECEIVED FUNDS EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY FROM EXXON. AT THIS POINT PCI IS NOTING THAT IT IS THE ONLY POLITICAL GROUP WHICH IS CATEGORICALLY DENYING THE RECEIPT OF POLITICAL PAYMENTS FROM EXXON.VOLPE

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